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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of May 03, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendment to the Claims:

This Listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (new): An apparatus for mounting a bicycle in a manner which permits the removal of the body's weight from the pubic area while adding therapeutic support to the lumbar region of the body, said mounting apparatus comprising: a girdle device used to encircle the body's lumbar region, said girdle device having an inside an outside surface that confines to the body and means to be detachably fastened at the trailing ends, said outside surface is rigid and configured to be anchored to the foundation assembly of a support device, said support device comprising: a vertical post configured for coupling to the top of a standard upright bicycle frame, said foundation assembly is connected to the upper end of said vertical post and said foundation assembly configured to receive said outside surface.

Claim 8 (new): The apparatus for mounting a bicycle of claim 7, wherein said outside surface further comprises: an attachment device connected and said attachment device configured to be anchored to said foundation assembly.

Claim 9 (new): The apparatus for mounting a bicycle of claim 8, wherein said attachment device is pivotally connected to said outside surface.

Listing of Claims: (continued)

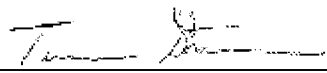
Claim 10 (new): A method for mounting a bicycle in a manner which permits the removal of the body's weight from the pubic area while adding therapeutic support to the lumbar region of the body, said mounting method comprising: placing a girdle device around the body's lumbar region, said girdle device having an inside an outside surface that confines to the body and means to be detachably fastened at the trailing ends, said outside surface is rigid and configured to be anchored to the foundation assembly of a support device, said support device comprising: a vertical post configured for coupling to the top of a standard upright bicycle frame, said foundation assembly is connected to the upper end of said vertical post and said foundation assembly configured to receive said outside surface.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 have been canceled. Claims 7-10 have been added as new.

The examiner has acknowledged claims 1-6 as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Claims 7-10 have been added as new to more clearly define the subject matter of this invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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